

REMARKS

The Office Action of March 12, 2007 indicates Examiner's position that Applicants have failed to comply with a suitable election of subject matter in response to the restriction requirement. Specifically, Examiner stated the belief that Applicants had not clearly enumerated the components of the claimed solution.

We believe this response addresses the Examiner's concerns. Initially, a restriction requirement was made between claims 1-28 and claims 29-35. Claims 1-28 were elected and claims 29-35 withdrawn and have accordingly been canceled. Claims 36-41 were added to more particularly claim an aspect of the invention.

The Examiner also requested an election of species. The claims have been amended since the original requirement. Based on the amended claims, applicants according elect the following species:

A nasal irrigation solution containing:

water
zinc acetate dehydrate
hydrastine
an extract of grapefruit seed.

Claims that read on this species include 1, 2, 7, 10, 14, 18, 19, 22, 23, and 36-41. Claims 4-6, 8-9, 11-13, 15-17, and 20-21 have accordingly been withdrawn. (Claims 3 and 24-28 were previously canceled.) However, should the elected species be deemed allowable, examination should extend to embodiments of the withdrawn claims.

Applicants respectfully request Examiner to acknowledge that the components of the claimed solution have been clearly enumerated. Applicants further respectfully request reconsideration of the application and examination of the pending claims. The Examiner is

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invited to contact the undersigned should it be deemed potentially helpful to facilitate prosecution of the application.

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